

DDA 78-1920

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Logistics

FROM: John F. Blake  
Deputy Director for Administration

Jim:

STATINTL 1. In a recent memorandum to you concerning a sole source contract with [redacted] I mentioned I would be in separate communications with you on the matter of sole sourcing per se.

2. In connection with sole sourcing, would you please undertake the following. For those contracts where you are the responsible officer will you please have a review made to determine if there appears to be any abuse of the sole sourcing authority. Such abuse could possibly be found not only in individual contracts but also in any apparent pattern of sole sourcing. Please provide me with the results of this survey and the identification of any possible abuses which you think we should further pursue.

3. Would you also prepare an Agency notice for the signature of the DDCI which addresses itself to sole sourcing. Such notice should include the necessary information on the normal manner of contracting, i.e., open competition or negotiated contracts; should list the criteria for giving consideration to a sole source request; should give some examples where sole sourcing could be considered and where sole sourcing would be rejected. The notice should also contain a policy pronouncement that sole sourcing is considered only under the most stringent of circumstances and must be thoroughly justified in light of the established criteria.

4. Please develop this notice. I will pick an appropriate time for its issuance.

/s/ Jack

John F. Blake

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